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AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

REF: STATE 178493

WARSAW PASS ARMSTRONG, NAIROBI PASS CASEY

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT MADE BY
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AT 4:30 P.M. TODAY (SEPTEMBER 21)
WASHINGTON TIME CONCERNING LIFTING OF EXPORT LICENSING
ON AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1:

BEGIN TEXT. SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FREDERICK B. DENT
ANNOUNCED TODAY, AS WAS ANTICIPATED IN A PREVIOUS ANNOUNCE-
MENT, THAT THE VALIDATED EXPORT LICENSE REQUIREMENTS
IMPOSED THIS SUMMER ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS WILL BE
REMOVED, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1973.

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THE COMMODITIES INVOLVED INCLUDE SOYBEANS, COTTON-SEED, PRODUCTS THEREOF, AND OTHER VEGETABLE OILS, ANIMAL FATS, AND LIVESTOCK PROTEIN FEEDS.

CONTROLS OVER THESE PRODUCTS WERE IMPOSED EARLIER THIS YEAR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF UNUSUALLY HEAVY FOREIGN DEMAND FOR THE LIMITED QUANTITIES THEN AVAILABLE. HOWEVER,

SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE EARL L. BUTZ HAS NOW INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE THAT THIS YEAR'S CROPS OF ALL COMMODITIES HAVE EXCELLENT PROSPECTS AND THAT HE CONCURS IN THE DECONTROL ACTION.

THIS DECONTROL ACTION MEANS THAT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1973 THESE PRODUCTS MAY BE EXPORTED WITHOUT THE NECESSITY OF OBTAINING AN EXPORT LICENSE TO ALL DESTINATIONS EXCEPT SOUTHERN RHODESIA, CUBA, NORTH VIETNAM AND NORTH KOREA.

THE DEPARTMENT'S REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON EXPORTS AND ANTICIPATED EXPORTS OF WHEAT, FEED GRAINS, RICE, COTTON, SOYBEANS AND COTTONSEED AND CERTAIN PRODUCTS THEREOF WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR AN INDETERMINATE LENGTH OF TIME, SECRETARY DENT SAID, AND WILL BE USED TO MONITOR THE SUPPLY/DEMAND SITUATION. THIS MEANS THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE REPORTING SYSTEM AND THE REPORTING REQUIREMENT BEING DESIGNED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE UNDER RECENT AMENDMENTS TO THE ACT OF 1970 MAY RUN SIMULTANEOUSLY FOR A PERIOD UNTIL THE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT'S NEW REPORTING PROCEDURE PROVIDES ADEQUATE DATA ON WHICH TO BASE EXPORT CONTROL DETERMINATIONS.

THE REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTING THIS CHANGE WILL BE INCLUDED IN EXPORT CONTROL BULLETIN NO. 101 TO BE ISSUED MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24. END TEXT.

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